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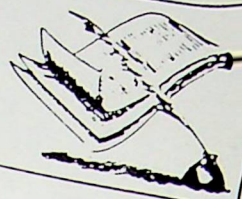

TO YOUNG FARMERS

By Hugh P. McClimon

Young Farmers and wives responded to the call for a successful 31st Annual Convention in the upstate area at Greenville. The program on Friday afternoon was very educational and well attended. Winners were recognized by sponsors with awards at the Banquet Session where everyone attending was privileged to hear an outstanding speaker. The association was fortunate to have a group of enthusiastic and loyal supporters who provide assistance each year. Attendance at the Breakfast Session was one of the largest in recent years. The convention is the highlight and climax of activities for the year. Possibilities of a location and site for next year are being reviewed by the Executive Committee.

The membership dues for 1979 were increased to $4 by action of the delegates attending the convention last year. The approval of this recommendation made-increased funding possible to maintain and conduct a high quality program of work for the Association. With the challenge to exceed the goal of 1000 members this year, chapters are encouraged to secure and submit dues by May 31. Additional dues for new members may be submitted at any time. Efforts should also be made to secure new chapters.

Windbreakers and caps with the Young Farmer emblem will be available for members and advisors to wear for identification and promotion of the organization. Windbreakers can be ordered at $20 each and a supply of caps have been ordered to be available at $4 each. Members may secure these items through advisors who should coordinate requests to the State Office.

TO FUTURE FARMERS

By J. Earl Frick, Jr.

This is the time of the year for FFA members to work on contest and awards applications for individuals and chapters. April 15 is the deadline for submitting individual award applications for the State Farmer Degree, The Individual Future Farmer and the Argicultural Proficiency Awards applications. Chapter applications in the Building Our American Community (BOAC) Award, Chapter Safety Award and Chapter Award applications are also due on April 15. Ask your vocational agriculture teacher to help you in completing and mailing all applications to your district consultant prior to the April 15 deadline.

National FFA Vice President Jeff Rudd from Yanceyville, North Carolina, will attend our 1979 State FFA Convention June 6-8, at Clemson University. The State FFA Officers have begun work and are planning to make this year's convention a meaningful experience for all FFA members who attend. Your chapter is entitled to have at least two delegates plus all contest and awards winners in attendance at the state convention.

Our State FFA Association has a beautiful camp at Cherry Grove that will accommodate as many as 185 FFA members per week at a very nominal cost. Current plans are to open the camp on June 11 for a minimum of three weeks of regular camping. Plans are under way to renovate some of the facilities and add more recreation areas. Plan now to attend camp with your chapter.

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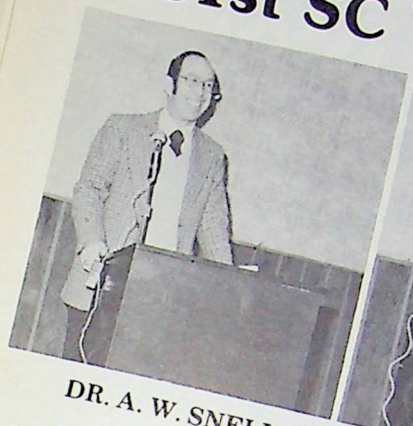

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The 31st Annual Convention of the SC Association of Young Farmers began with a luncheon for state officers, officer candidates, state executive committee members, their wives, and State Staff, at the Sheraton Motor Inn in Greenville. The farm group convened this year with an increased membership. Highlighting the opening session was a program on research and new innovations in agriculture. Three top specialists on the subject appeared on the convention. They included Dr. A. W. Snell, State Director, SC Experimental Stations; Dr. B. K. Webb, Head, Agricultural Engineering Department; and Dr. K. K. Hale, Associate Professor, Poultry Science; all from Clemson University. The second session of the afternoon devoted to animal health and nutrition. Two in this field spoke. They were: Dr. R. E. Wright, Associate Professor, Animal Pathology, and Mr. Allen Beer, Associate Professor, Poultry Science, both from Clemson University. All speakers presented timely information of vital interest to Young Farmers. In addition to the speakers, numerous manufacturing service organizations filled the exhibit hall with attractive and informative displays. The exhibits were open to those present between sessions and between proceedings.

The program got underway with a welcome by Mrs. Walter Dantzler, wife of President Walter Dantzler, and Mrs. Patricia Mitchell, wife of President-Elect Mitchell. Jim Saluda, introduced the guests.

Awarding door prizes were Linda Rogers, Susan Weathers, Dale Smith, Trisha Alt, and Pat Beer, wives of the Young Farmer Executive Committeemen. Following the introduction a most interesting bus tour to Heritage Green, Falls Cottage and the new Greenville City Library was enjoyed by all the ladies.

Following the afternoon session Young Farmers, wives, friends, guests, and sponsors gathered for the annual awards banquet, which is traditionally the high point of the convention.

Awards were presented to the district and state winners in the following areas: overall chapter achievement, energy conservation, soybean and corn production. The highlight of the awards banquet was the selection and recognition of the district and state 1978 Young Farmers of the Year and their wives. After these awards were made, a color slide presentation was presented by Dr. Lloyd Blanton of the Agricultural Education Department, Clemson University, depicting the homes, equipment, and farming programs of the district and state Young Farmers of the Year. Following the awards Allen Beer, past President from the Chester chapter, introduced the guest speaker, Harris T. Remley of Jacksonville, Florida, who delighted those present with a humorous, interesting, informative, and thought-provoking address, after which an old-fashioned square dance was enjoyed by all.

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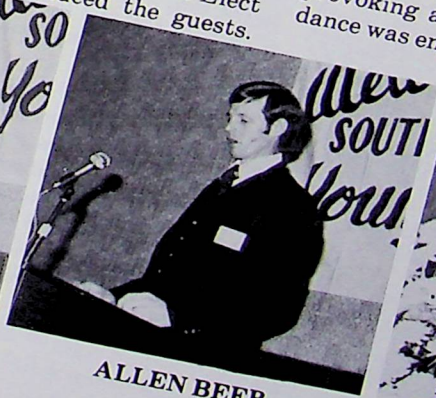

ALLEN BEER

1979 LEADERS SELECTED

Elected to lead the S. C. Association of Young Farmers during 1979 were: left to right, Tolbert Mitchell, Saluda, President; Cecil M. Rogers, Lake View, President-Elect; and District Vice Presidents, Joe Dean Smith, Progressive Chapter, Landrum; Dan Alt, Chester; Ray Galloway, St. Johns Chapter, Darlington; and Landy Weathers, Bowman. The election came at the conclusion of the 31st Annual Convention of the Young Farmers Association held recently in Greenville. In addition to those shown, the Executive Committee includes, Past President Walter Dantzler, Holly Hill; Executive Secretary, H. P. McClimon, District Consultant, Agricultural Education, Anderson; and State Advisor Frank R. Stover, State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture, Columbia.

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The final session was held on Saturday morning and featured the presentation of the membership and attendance awards, sponsored by Southern Grain Storage Distributors and presented by Jack E. Cummings, owner. Special Donors to the Young Farmer program in South Carolina were recognized. State FFA President Dan Keasler, from Anderson, brought greetings from his association. A large number of Young Farmers and wives enjoyed an address by Senator T. Ed Garrison, from Anderson County. Following the address a report on the fourth Young Farmer Summer Tour was given by Tolbert Mitchell, President-Elect from Saluda, in the form of color slides and oral description. An interesting slide presentation was then presented by Allen Beer showing highlights of the twelfth National Young Farmer Educational Institute held in Kansas City, Missouri. Election of officers to lead the Association in 1979 came at the end of the closing session.

CONVENTION AWARDS

YOUNG FARMERS OF THE YEAR

The outstanding District Young Farmers for 1978 were recognized and the Young Farmer of the Year selected at the recent 31st Annual Convention of the SC Young Farmer Association in Greenville. The award winning Young Farmers and their wives are shown (back row, left to right): John Thomas and Lou Rainey, Crescent Chapter (H. S. Clinkscales, advisor); Charles Duane and Linda Fink, Pelion Chapter (Freddie Waltz, advisor); Frances and Roderick Hale Jones, St. Johns Darlington Chapter, (Alex Yarborough, advisor); and Jeanette and A. Manning Shuler, Jr., Holly Hill Chapter, (Walter Dantzler, advisor). Front row, Young Farmer of the Year Ray and Janis Galloway, St. Johns Darlington Chapter (Alex Yarborough, advisor). Ray had won the District Young Farmer of the Year previously and was only eligible to compete for the state award. W. W. Bagley, Secretary, Federal Land and Federal Intermediate Credit Banks of Columbia, and the Production Credit Associations of South Carolina, presented the awards on behalf of the sponsors.

These awards are designed to recognize Young Farmers throughout the state who have made outstanding progress toward becoming successfully established in farming. Establishment of a home, participation in Young Farmer activities, and outstanding leadership qualities and activities are also considered.

The district winners received an engraved tray and $100 cash. The state winner received an engraved bowl and $300 cash.

CONVENTION AWARDS CONTINUED

1978 TOP CHAPTERS

Representatives of the district and state 1978 winning chapters in South Carolina were on hand to receive their awards at the recent Young Farmer Convention in Greenville. Shown (right) presenting the awards to the top chapters is Jim Loftis, Field Supervisor, Agri-Commodities Group, Gold Kist, Inc., Irmo, SC. The recipients were: Pat Rodgers, President, Saluda Chapter (W. A. Whitfield, advisor); Larry Bodenhamer, President, Pelion Chapter (Freddie Waltz, advisor); Edward James, President, St. Johns Darlington Chapter (Alex Yarborough, advisor); and Cullen Dyches, President, Holly Hill Chapter (Walter Dantzler, advisor). District winners received an engraved plaque and $100 cash. The state winning Saluda Chapter received $300 cash and a state plaque. Chapters competing for this award are judged on the educational program provided for members, chapter community involvement, and Young Farmer leadership activities.

Gold Kist sponsors this award to encourage local Young Farmer chapters throughout South Carolina to plan and conduct challenging programs of interest to all members.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AWARDS

Receiving the outstanding energy efficiency district and state awards for 1978 are shown left to right: William D. Bell, Edgefield Chapter (Hugh Bland, advisor); Charles Duane Fink, Pelion Chapter (Freddie Waltz, advisor); Harry E. Wolpert, Holly Hill Chapter (Walter Dantzler, advisor); and State Winner Edward S. Cribb, Darlington Chapter (Alex Yarborough, advisor). Shown presenting the state award to Cribb, on behalf of the sponsors, is Larry Stroman, from S. C. Electric & Gas Company. Sponsors are Carolina Power & Light Co., S. C. Electric & Gas Co., and Duke Power Co.

The state winner received $300 and an engraved plaque. District winners each received $150 cash and an engraved plaque.

The companies sponsor the awards to encourage Young Farmers throughout the state to make the best and most efficient use of electrical power in their farming operations.

TOP SOYBEAN GROWERS

Top producers in the S. C. Association of Young Farmers 1978 5-Acre Soybean Contest were honored recently at the Association's 31st convention in Greenville. Shown left to right, are district winners, Ricky Kneece, Pelion Chapter, yield 53.53 bu/a (Freddie Waltz, advisor); Rod Jones, St. John's Darlington Chapter, yield 41.69 bu/a (Alex Yarborough, advisor); Sammy Wiles, Bowman Chapter, yield 63.09 bu/a (Todd Arant, advisor); and receiving the top award is Glenn Couch, Saluda Chapter, yield 68.27 bu/a (W. A. Whitfield, advisor). Presenting the award is Ed Campbell, Regional Manager, FCX, Inc., Sumter, SC. The district winners received $100 cash and an engraved plaque. The state winner received $200 cash and an engraved plaque.

FCX, Inc. sponsors this competition to encourage Young Farmers throughout the state to increase soybean yields through the use of high quality seed, adequate fertilization, and improved agricultural practices.

1978 CORN WINNERS

Winners in the 1978 Young Farmer Association's corn production contest are shown above, left to right, as they received the district and state awards: Tolbert Mitchell, Saluda Chapter, yield 120.09 bu/a (W. A. Whitfield, advisor); Allen L. Beer, Chester Chapter, yield 84.78 bu/a; Bobby Arnold, St. John's Darlington Chapter, yield 134.88 bu/a (Alex Yarborough, advisor), and state winner in a very close finish Mark Edwins, Holly Hill Chapter, yield 135.67 bu/a (Walter Dantzler, advisor). Edwins is shown receiving the award from Jim Menius, Assistant Sales Manager, Coker's Pedigreed Seed Company, Hartsville, sponsors of the award. District winners each received $100 and a plaque. The state winner received $200 and a plaque.

Coker's sponsors this competition to encourage Young Farmers in South Carolina to increase corn yield through the use of high quality seed, adequate fertilization, and improved agricultural practices.

SALUDA ADVISOR RECEIVES BLAZER

The advisor of the state winning Young Farmer chapter in the South Carolina Association of Young Farmers chapter contest each year is awarded a green Young Farmer blazer. Gerald Long is shown presenting the 1978 winning advisor, W. A. Whitfield of the Saluda Chapter, with his green jacket on behalf of Dekalb AgResearch, Inc.

This award is made to encourage agriculture teachers to work closely with Young Farmer chapters' executive committee members in providing an annual program of interest and benefit to all members, including informative and educational programs, community service and community involvement, and Young Farmer leadership activities.

LADIES PROGRAM

Maida Dantzler, Linda Rogers, and Susan Weathers are shown distributing door prizes during the 31st annual awards banquet at the S. C. Association of Young Farmers Convention in Greenville recently. Door prizes were donated by various business concerns interested in the Young Farmer organization.

BANQUET SPEAKER

Capping the banquet session was an address by Harris T. Remley, Supervisor of Civil Affairs for the Family Lines System, a diverse organization of railroad companies serving the Southeast. Remley delighted those present with an interesting, informative, and thought-provoking address on the free enterprise system. He is a noted speaker on this topic and speaks throughout the United States.

Remley appeared courtesy Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.

BATESBURG-LEESVILLE CITED

Gene Berry, from the Batesburg-Leesville chapter, is shown receiving a plaque of appreciation from President-Elect Tolbert Mitchell for co-sponsoring the fourth annual Young Farmer Summer Tour in cooperation with the Pelion chapter. David Bouknight is advisor of the Batesburg-Leesville chapter.

McCLIMON AND HUGHES HONORED

Hugh McClimon, left, District Consultant, Agricultural Education, Anderson, and the State Young Farmer Executive Secretary, is shown receiving the Outstanding Service Award from Young Farmer State President Walter Dantzler, of the Holly Hill Chapter, at the 31st annual convention of the Young Farmer Association held in Greenville recently. Mr. McClimon's secretary, Evelyn Hughes, also received an Outstanding Service plaque from the Association but was not present when picture was made.

The awards were presented by the State Association of Young Farmers for continuous service to the Association by both Mr. McClimon and Miss Hughes over a period of years.

PELION CHAPTER CITED

President-Elect Tolbert Mitchell is shown presenting a plaque of appreciation to Doug Berry, of the Pelion Young Farmer chapter, for co-sponsoring the fourth annual Young Farmer Summer Tour with the Batesburg-Leesville chapter. Freddie Waltz is advisor of the Pelion chapter.

SENATOR GARRISON SPEAKS

Senator T. Ed Garrison of Anderson addressed the breakfast session on Saturday morning of the S. C. Association of Young Farmers 31st annual convention held recently in Greenville. Senator Garrison is a past state president of the S. C. Association of Young Farmers, is a farmer, and is chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee. He brought a most informative and interesting address on agricultural topics and other topics related to agriculture and agricultural education.

ST. JOHNS CHAPTER RECOGNIZED

Jack Cummings, owner, Southern Grain Storage Distributor, Ruffin, presents the convention attendance award to President Roderick Jones, of the St. John's Darlington chapter, Alex Yarborough, advisor. This award was made during the breakfast session of the 31st annual convention of the S. C. Association of Young Farmers in Greenville recently.

PELION CAPTURES MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Jack Cummings, owner of Southern Grain Storage Distributors, Ruffin, SC, is shown making membership awards, which his company sponsors annually, during the breakfast session of the 31st annual convention of the S. C. Association of Young Farmers in Greenville recently. The chapter with the largest number increase and the chapter with the largest percentage increase each received $50. The Pelion chapter, Larry Bodenhamer, president, and Freddie Waltz, advisor, won both of these awards for 1978.

CONVENTION SQUARE DANCE

After the formal proceedings and address of the 31st annual Young Farmers awards banquet those present gathered for some recreation. An old-fashioned square dance was called by Allen Beer and enjoyed by all.

FFA ANNOUNCES NATIONAL HALL OF ACHIEVEMENT

Plans for a new Future Farmers of America (FFA) National Hall of Achievement to honor FFA and agriculture were announced recently by the FFA. A $600,000 fund-raising effort has been initiated through the National FFA Foundation to implement the plan.

The new Hall of Achievement will be located in Alexandria, Virginia, inside the existing National FFA Center near Mt. Vernon which houses FFA operations, including FFA Program Administration, The National *FUTURE FARMER* magazine, FFA Supply Service, and Alumni.

"Now it is time to honor the achievement of this fine organization and the great industry it has served so well," said Roland M. Hendrickson, President of the Agricultural Division of Pfizer, Inc., as he announced the fund drive for the new endeavor at a meeting of the Agricultural Education Division of the American Vocational Association (AVA). After the presentation, the attending group voted unanimous cooperation and support for the project. Hendrickson, national chairman of the fund drive for the FFA Foundation, explained that the purpose was actually fourfold:

* Protecting and preserving FFA's history,
* Presenting the story of today's FFA through permanent exhibits and displays,
* Recognizing the support and leadership of FFA's many friends, and to
* Serving all FFA members and related groups as an active learning and resource center for FFA programs and activities.

"It will be a source of information and pride, as well as a record of accomplishment by FFA chapters and individuals," said H. N. Hunsicker, National FFA Advisor. "An important aspect of the Hall is that it will be mainly concerned with 'people achievements'."

"Milestones of Progress," "A Challenge to Excellence," and "Pride and Prestige" -- are several of the titles of display areas planned for the Hall, which will use bold graphics and modern museum presentational methods to highlight the story of agriculture and the FFA.

A major part of the National FFA Center lower level will be utilized for the Hall of Achievement, which will be viewed by thousands of FFA members and guests each year.

Funds to reach the $600,000 goal are being solicited from business, industry, foundations, FFA members, as well as FFA chapters and state associations. Meanwhile, an effort is also being made to locate early FFA momentos or paraphernalia that could be displayed in the Hall of Achievement.

NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE

The South Carolina Young Farmers Association was well represented at the 12th National Young Farmer Educational Institute held in Kansas City, Missouri. Those attending are shown above, left to right: Fredda Taylor, Lake View; Louise Austin, Bowman; Janis Galloway, Caroline Williamson, both of Darlington; Marcia Mitchell, Saluda; Linda Rogers, Lake View; Dale Smith, Landrum; Susan Weathers, Bowman; Trisha Alt, Pat Beer, both of Chester; and Sharon DeWitt, Darlington. Second row, R. F. Taylor, Lake View; Cornelia Bouknight, Irmo; Pat Nance, Lake View; Dr. John Rodgers, Clemson University; Ray Galloway, Darlington; Joe Dean Smith, Landrum; Duane and Linda Fink, Pelion; Maida Dantzler, Santee; and Theron DeWitt, Darlington. Third row, Brady Bouknight, Irmo; Danny Nance, Lake View; Timrod Austin, Bowman; Keith Williamson, Darlington; Tolbert Mitchell, Saluda; Cecil Rogers, Lake View; Landy Weathers, Bowman; Walter Dantzler, Santee; Dan Alt and Allen Beer, both of Chester.

Not shown when picture was made were: Tim Cook, James Watson, and Edsel Williams, all of Brittons Neck.

KEITH WILLIAMSON RECOGNIZED

National Spokesman finalist, Keith Williamson, Darlington, South Carolina (left), told judges how consumers can get the most for their food dollar during the Elanco National Young Farmers Spokesman for Agriculture program held during the National Institute in Kansas City, Missouri. Williamson was recognized by Stan Geiser of Elanco Products Company at an evening's award banquet during the Institute.

SALUTE TO FARMERS

In this period of concern over the monthly trade balance, the Census Bureau finds it appropriate to observe Agriculture Day in 1979 with a salute to the farmers of the Nation whose productivity does so much to keep America competitive. American farmers not only produce a bountiful harvest for the Nation but contribute food and fiber for other people throughout the world.

The Bureau expresses its deep appreciation to the National Agri-Marketing Association for providing this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to the farmers of America. By their toil and ingenuity, and their respect for country and home, farmers and ranchers have developed an agricultural production system that is the envy of the world.

"Ag Day" 1979 comes at a time when the attention of both urban and rural citizens is focused on the concerns of our farmers. We should note that no other occupation is so buffeted by both man-made decisions and the vagaries of nature. Yet farmers and their families adhere resolutely to a way of life that has undergirded our Nation for more than two centuries.

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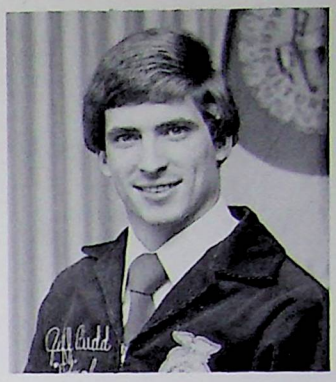

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